RICHARD R. LYMAN
SALT LAKE CITY

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Mr. W. P. Whitsett
306 West Third Street
Los Angeles, California

Dear Mr. Whitsett:

While it was a source of great pleasure to me to see you for a few moments and to feel again the power of your magnetic personality and the uplift of your unbounded confidence in this well-nigh matchless undertaking of bringing 1500 cubic feet of water per second from the Colorado River to Los Angeles, I can hardly tell you how tremendously I was disappointed and how much I regret that after waiting all these years you should come to our city and find me bedfast.

As I have said to you before, it was a source of pleasure to me to know that our mutual friend Wilson McCarthy had an opportunity to help you so effectively in your great and commendable undertaking when you secured your first loan from the R. F. C.

I am gratified now to know that it seems you are going to find in our fine Utah product, George H. Dern, another good friend. I hope his efforts in your behalf will be equally satisfactory and equally successful.

Los Angeles is fortunate to have as President of the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Water District one as clear-headed, as honest, as conscientious and as untiring a leader as your own efficient self. You are fighting a good fight, you are fighting it well. With faith like yours nothing is impossible.

I doubt very much if there is another project in the whole nation in as fine condition, as ready to go forward and do as much for the nation as a whole as the project so well begun by the Metropolitan Water District. If the projects throughout the nation are lined up in the order of their desirability in this time of depression, I am sure that for assistance from the N. R. A. the Metropolitan Water District will stand first. I hope those in control have vision clear enough and patriotism great enough to enable them to see the